TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT
Intra-Departmental Memorandum

TO: Michael Ake
Interim Chief of Police

FROM: Temporary Lieutenant Gary J. Roberts GJR **DATE:** November 19, 2021
Internal Affairs Section

SUBJECT: **CITY CONDUCT COMPLAINT 21COM-0093**

Complainant:
Mr. Kevin Mooney
1615 East 34th Street
Tacoma, WA 98404
206.579.9288

On August 16, 2021, Mr. Mooney contacted the Tacoma Police Department regarding the actions of a Tacoma Police Officer. The complaint was entered into the Tacoma Police Department's tracking system, processed by the Internal Affairs Section, and assigned complaint number 21COM-0093.

Allegation(s): Courtesy

COMPLAINT SUMMARY
Mr. Mooney alleged an officer used inappropriate language during a phone conversation.

INVESTIGATION
The complaint was forwarded to the Operations Bureau, which reported the following:

Mr. Mooney was contacted regarding his complaint. He advised he wanted to file a complaint regarding Officer Ali and wanted to discuss a neighboring address he was upset about. Mr. Mooney said that Officer Ali referred to his complaints about the address as "bullshit calls" and called Mr. Mooney the wrong name. He said when talking about his calls regarding the address, Officer Ali called them "bullshit requests." When they initially started the conversation, Officer Ali called him by his last name only, which he felt was wrong as the officer should have addressed him more formally. In regards to the problem location, Mr. Mooney advised he had filed several 911 (South Sound 911) and 311 (TacomaFIRST 311) calls about the location and filling out Public Disclosure Requests to determine what had been done regarding his concerns.

Officer Ali was contacted regarding this complaint. Officer Ali relayed that he was conversing over the phone with Mr. Mooney about the problem location. During the conversation, they were discussing the calls for service regarding the location. Officer Ali told him that sometimes the police department gets calls that are "bullshit" calls, but that it was not the case regarding the specific problem location. He said they were legitimate calls they were working on, and he would continue looking into them. Officer Ali said he was not referring to Mr. Mooney's calls with the term, but rather other calls that officers sometimes receive. However, Officer Ali said that as soon as he made the statement about the calls, Mr. Mooney accused him of being unprofessional. Even though Officer Ali continued to try to discuss what

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they could do at the problem location, Mr. Mooney was convinced that Officer Ali was unprofessional and wanted to talk to a supervisor.

FINDINGS

An investigation into this complaint was conducted to include an interview with the complainant and Officer Ali. The investigation was reviewed by the officer's chain of command; and the allegation of Courtesy against the involved officer is concluded as **Sustained,** which is *a final disposition of a complaint when it is found that the member acted improperly with respect to the Department policy.*

I have reviewed the complaint, investigation and conclusion and concur with the findings.

For

Michael Ake
Interim Chief of Police

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Date

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